

Government of the District of Columbia
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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable Phil Mendelson
Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia

FROM: Jeff DeWitt
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DATE: March 25, 2014

SUBJECT: Fiscal Impact Statement – Child Development Home License Regulation and Amendment Act of 2014

REFERENCE: Bill 20-607, as Introduced

Conclusion

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2014 through FY 2017 budget and financial plan to implement the bill.

Background

The bill amends the Day Care Policy Act of 1979¹ to allow daycare providers to enroll more than two children under the age of two years, so long as there is an adult-to-child ratio of one adult provider for every child under two years of age. Currently, a Child Development Home, which is a licensed home daycare provider,² is only allowed to enroll two children under the age of two regardless of the number of adult providers.

Financial Plan Impact

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2014 through FY 2017 budget and financial plan to implement the bill. Allowing Child Development Homes to enroll more than two children under the age of two so long as they meet the required adult-to-child ratios does not have a negative impact of the District's budget and financial plan.

¹ Effective September 19, 1979 (D.C. Law 3-16; D.C. Official Code §4-401(3)).

² D.C. Official Code § 4-401 defines "Child Development Home" as a "private residence which provides a child development program for up to a total of 6 children with no more than 2 children younger than 2 years of age in the group."